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Let's Demand a Halt

To the Editor:

In 1945, a conference was held in San Francisco for the purpose of drafting the U.N. charter. Alger Hiss, a Communist agent, was Secretary-General of that conference and, as Director of the State Department's Office of Special Political Affairs, he had been given the authority to organize the United States delegation. The first official U.S. Delegate appointed to the conference was Senator Tom Connolly. Two other U.S. representatives were Harry Dexter White, a Communist agent, and Leo Pasvolosky, a Russian-born Communist. Sen. Connolly later wrote a book titled "My Name Is Tom Connolly," in which he said that the Communist Pasvolosky was "extremely capable and the one person we all turned to for explanation of details. Certainly he had more to do with writing the framework of the charter than anyone else." I bring this up to show that the U.N. was organized not by individuals intent on preserving our freedom, but by people dedicated to forming a World Empire.

It was Alger Hiss who recommended the first 500 employees for the United Nations. In 1949 Admiral Hillenkoetter, who was then head of the Central Intelligence Agency, answered Senator McCarran's request for information concerning 100 new appointments to the U.N. Adm. Hillenkoetter said that of these 100 appointees, 29 were high officials in the Communist Party and 32 were known to be foreign espionage agents.

On June 25, 1950, North Korean soldiers under the direction of A. Ph. Vasiliev, drove across the 38th parallel and attacked the Republic of South Korea. In a very short time were involved in our first United Nations war, one which we were not permitted to win. At one time we had 250,000 troops in the field. Troops from other "United" Nations (discounting South Koreans) totaled only 25,000. General MacArthur, who was given the task of fighting this losing battle, was placed in a position where his immediate superior was the United Nations Undersecretary for Political and Security Affairs. This Undersecretary was a Russian, Konstantine Zinchenko. (This Undersecretary has always been a Communist.) All orders going from the Pentagon to Gen. MacArthur in the field, were relayed through Zinchenko at the United Nations Building. Congressman Ull had this to say in the Congressional Record dated Jan. 15, 1962: "How convenient this was to the Communists to have one of their own men as the head of the United Nations Military Staff, who reviewed all orders going from the Pentagon to General

MacArthur and gave them to our enemy before General MacArthur received them." This was the most fantastic betrayal of our American fighting ever recorded in history—at that time.

I mentioned previously that the North Korean troops were under the direction of a Soviet General, A. Ph. Vasiliev. State Department Bulletin of Aug. 3, 1951 revealed that General Vasiliev was chairman of the United Nations Military Staff Committee in 1947. The United Nations in New York admitted that General Vasiliev was on leave of absence from this post during the Korean War. This means that Russian General Vasiliev is still officially attached to the United Nations at a time he led the North Korean Communists against our soldiers in Korea.

Fantastic! Yet we are again in a "phony" war in Vietnam. Our men in the service are also in Thailand, and no doubt in the middle east, and no one knows how many other places. Why don't the American people wake up and demand a halt?

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An absolute requisite to any organization such as the CIA is that thing called esprit de corps: pride, enthusiasm, devotion and jealous regard for the honor of the group. The CIA does not have it. The FBI has it. In the CIA it is almost totally lacking.

Two men are principally responsible for this situation. Both were Presidents of the United States.

The first was Harry S. Truman. He appointed the man who was considered by most observers (and who was) to have been the best person ever to head the agency. Vice Admiral Roscoe H. Hillenkoetter—and then refused to back him. Most readers of these lines will remember immediately of Truman's dismissal of General MacArthur at the height of the Korean War. But it may be that his replacement of Hillenkoetter was more disastrous, especially. Admiral Hillenkoetter was appointed Director of the CIA in May 1947. He was a professional intelligence officer, ran a tight ship, and a good one. President Truman left guidance of the CIA to the Policy Planning Staff at the Department of State. In practice that meant that George Kennan, John Paton Davies, Jr., and Harlan Cleveland gave the orders. There came the inevitable showdown, and Truman sided with the State Department. In 1950, Hillenkoetter was replaced by General Walter Bedell Smith, who bent to the State Department's will. A number of top CIA ca-

red officers departed when Hillenkoetter died. Agency morale never recovered.

The second blow was administered by John F. Kennedy. It is the record that one of the CIA's most brilliant achievements was the overthrow of the communist government of Cuba. The man who engineered it was William J. Hall. One of America's authentic heroes—CIA's: President of the U. S., cum laude, 1928; ten years in Harvard Law School, 1931; various football and lacrosse; pilot of aircraft; fluent in Spanish, French, German, Chinese; coordinator of Admiral Byrd's second Antarctic expedition; special assistant Attorney General of the U. S.; assistant to Gen. Chennault in formation of the Flying Tigers; special representative of the US in the Philippines; Ambassador to Honduras and to Costa Rica. In the last months of his administration, President Eisenhower chose Whiting W. Lauer to plan and organize the invasion of Cuba, a salute to his earlier success in Guatemala.

John F. Kennedy never heard him, without explanation, discussion or common courtesy.

The Bay of Pigs fiasco followed. But CIA morale had fallen months earlier.

Hillenkoetter and Willauer were the two most-respected professionals in CIA's 20-year history. Each was shabbily dismissed.